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PURIFIED NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2000, please add the following amendments and remarks into the record.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended)

A method of regulating or controlling nitric oxide production in a mammalian subject comprising administering to the mammal [a nitric oxide-feculating amount] from about 20-500 µg/kg of [an arginine-rich] a peptide, oligopeptide, or protein [inhibitor of] that acts as a substrate for or an inhibitor of nitric oxide synthase, whereby the tertiary

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